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REMARKS

1. Claim 16 has been amended to more clearly point out and distinctly claim the invention, by incorporating part of the subject matter of claim 24, and by deleting nylon-6 and nylon 6,6, since these polymers are already embraced by the "polyamide" language of claim 16 and hence, are redundant. Claim 24 has therefore been amended to delete duplicative language. As no new matter has been introduced by these amendments, it is respectfully submitted that they should be entered.
2. Claims 1-15 and 19-20 have been cancelled without prejudice.
3. In light of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is submitted that the claims now of record, i.e. claims 16, 18 and 22-24, distinguish over the prior art and are therefore allowable. Applicant respectfully requests that these claims be passed to issue.

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